

Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

June 2009

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended June 20, 2009, there were 535,600 persons employed in Saskatchewan during June 2009, an increase of 5,500 from May 2009 and 14,500 more than the number employed in June 2008.

Agricultural employment was 44,400 persons in June 2009, down 1,100 from the May 2009 level and 1,900 more than the June 2008 agricultural employment level of 42,500. Non-agricultural employment was 491,200 persons in June 2009. This is an increase of 6,600 from the May 2009 non-agriculture employment level of 484,600 and 12,600 more than June 2008.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for June 2009 was 3.9 percent. This is a decrease of 1.0 percentage points from the May 2009 rate of 4.9 percent but 0.5 percentage points higher than the June 2008 level of 3.4 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 200 to 557,500 persons in June 2009 from 557,700 persons in May 2009. This is 18,000 more than the June 2008 labour force of 539,500 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.2 percentage points to 71.5 percent in June 2009 from 71.7 percent in May 2009. The June 2008 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 70.4 percent.

There were 21,900 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during June 2009. This is a decrease of 5,700 from May 2009 but is 3,500 more than the number unemployed in June 2008.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 524,800 persons employed in Saskatchewan in June 2009, up 1,600 from the May 2009 level of 523,200 and is up 14,800 from the June 2008 employment level of 510,000 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June 2009 was 4.6 percent. This is a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the May 2009 rate of 4.9 percent and 0.6 percentage points higher than the June 2008 rate of 4.0 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment increased by 206,400 persons in June 2009 to 17,158,700 persons from 16,952,300 persons in May 2009. In June 2008, there were 17,499,400 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate decreased 0.6 percentage points to 8.1 percent from the May 2009 level of 8.7 percent. In June 2008, Canada's unemployment rate was 5.6 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 8.6 percent in June 2009. This is 0.2 percentage points higher than May 2009 and 2.4 percentage points higher than the June 2008 level of 6.2 percent.

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TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	June 2009	May 2009	June 2008	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	18,664.7	18,564.2	18,543.7	100.5	121.0
Employed ('000)	17,158.7	16,952.3	17,499.4	206.4	-340.7
Full-Time ('000)	13,969.1	13,689.9	14,429.1	279.2	-460.0
Part-Time ('000)	3,189.6	3,262.4	3,070.2	-72.8	119.4
Unemployed ('000)	1,505.9	1,611.9	1,044.4	-106.0	461.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	8.7	5.6	-0.6	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	8.4	6.2	0.2	2.4
Participation Rate (%)	68.4	68.1	68.9	0.3	-0.5
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	557.5	557.7	539.5	-0.2	18.0
Employed ('000)	535.6	530.1	521.1	5.5	14.5
Full-Time ('000)	438.2	432.2	432.6	6.0	5.6
Part-Time ('000)	97.4	97.8	88.5	-0.4	8.9
Unemployed ('000)	21.9	27.6	18.4	-5.7	3.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	4.9	3.4	-1.0	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.6	4.9	4.0	-0.3	0.6
Participation Rate (%)	71.5	71.7	70.4	-0.2	1.1
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	2,158.7	2,151.6	2,116.1	7.1	42.6
Employed ('000)	2,024.0	2,000.7	2,056.0	23.3	-32.0
Full-Time ('000)	1,671.9	1,647.4	1,724.2	24.5	-52.3
Part-Time ('000)	352.2	353.3	331.8	-1.1	20.4
Unemployed ('000)	134.7	150.9	60.0	-16.2	74.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	7.0	2.8	-0.8	3.4
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	6.8	6.6	3.3	0.2	3.5
Participation Rate (%)	75.4	75.4	75.7	0.0	-0.3
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	648.7	645.4	642.8	3.3	5.9
Employed ('000)	618.8	615.7	620.7	3.1	-1.9
Full-Time ('000)	511.8	500.1	507.3	11.7	4.5
Part-Time ('000)	107.1	115.7	113.4	-8.6	-6.3
Unemployed ('000)	29.9	29.7	22.1	0.2	7.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.6	3.4	0.0	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.2	4.9	4.2	0.3	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	70.1	70.7	0.2	-0.4

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2
SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	<u>June 2009</u>	<u>May 2009</u>	<u>June 2008</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Change from Last Year</u>
<u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u>	557.5	557.7	539.5	-0.2	18.0
Male	297.0	296.1	289.3	0.9	7.7
Female	260.4	261.6	250.2	-1.2	10.2
15-24 Years of Age	105.3	106.3	106.4	-1.0	-1.1
25+ Years of age	452.2	451.4	433.1	0.8	19.1
<u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u>	535.6	530.1	521.1	5.5	14.5
Male	284.1	279.0	279.3	5.1	4.8
Female	251.5	251.0	241.8	0.5	9.7
15-24 Years of Age	96.3	94.0	100.1	2.3	-3.8
25+ Years of age	439.4	436.0	421.0	3.4	18.4
<u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u>	21.9	27.6	18.4	-5.7	3.5
Male	12.9	17.1	10.0	-4.2	2.9
Female	8.9	10.6	8.4	-1.7	0.5
15-24 Years of Age	9.0	12.3	6.3	-3.3	2.7
25+ Years of age	12.8	15.4	12.1	-2.6	0.7
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>	3.9	4.9	3.4	-1.0	0.5
Male	4.3	5.8	3.5	-1.5	0.8
Female	3.4	4.1	3.4	-0.7	0.0
15-24 Years of Age	8.5	11.6	5.9	-3.1	2.6
25+ Years of age	2.8	3.4	2.8	-0.6	0.0
<u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u>	71.5	71.7	70.4	-0.2	1.1
Male	77.3	77.2	76.5	0.1	0.8
Female	65.9	66.3	64.4	-0.4	1.5
15-24 Years of Age	75.5	76.3	76.3	-0.8	-0.8
25+ Years of age	70.7	70.7	69.0	0.0	1.7

TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	<u>June</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>May</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>June</u> <u>2008</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u>					
Agriculture	44.4	45.5	42.5	-1.1	1.9
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	23.6	21.6	26.6	2.0	-3.0
Utilities	4.3	4.7	5.5	-0.4	-1.2
Construction	40.6	38.8	35.5	1.8	5.1
Manufacturing	28.2	29.3	31.5	-1.1	-3.3
Trade	82.3	82.3	84.4	0.0	-2.1
Transportation and Warehousing	25.4	24.3	23.9	1.1	1.5
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	29.0	30.2	28.6	-1.2	0.4
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	23.0	22.9	20.4	0.1	2.6
Business, Building and Other Support Services	13.5	12.4	12.3	1.1	1.2
Educational Services	41.8	41.5	37.1	0.3	4.7
Health Care and Social Assistance	66.8	64.8	65.5	2.0	1.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	22.5	21.8	22.5	0.7	0.0
Accommodation and Food Services	31.6	33.2	32.8	-1.6	-1.2
Other Services	24.8	24.3	22.4	0.5	2.4
Public Administration	33.9	32.6	29.6	1.3	4.3
Total	535.6	530.1	521.1	5.5	14.5
<u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u>					
Full-Time	438.2	432.2	432.6	6.0	5.6
Part-Time	97.4	97.8	88.5	-0.4	8.9
<u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u>					
Employees	435.3	430.9	428.1	4.4	7.2
Public Sector	140.4	136.8	130.4	3.6	10.0
Private Sector	294.9	294.1	297.6	0.8	-2.7
Self-Employed	100.3	99.2	93.0	1.1	7.3

TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	June 2009	May 2009	June 2008	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Canada	17,158.7	16,952.3	17,499.4	206.4	-340.7
Newfoundland & Labrador	231.6	215.7	237.0	15.9	-5.4
Prince Edward Island	75.6	71.7	77.2	3.9	-1.6
Nova Scotia	465.6	460.6	469.5	5.0	-3.9
New Brunswick	384.3	370.4	381.3	13.9	3.0
Quebec	3,954.4	3,888.3	3,984.3	66.1	-29.9
Ontario	6,582.3	6,530.0	6,797.4	52.3	-215.1
Manitoba	618.8	615.7	620.7	3.1	-1.9
Saskatchewan	535.6	530.1	521.1	5.5	14.5
Alberta	2,024.0	2,000.7	2,056.0	23.3	-32.0
British Columbia	2,286.5	2,269.2	2,354.9	17.3	-68.4
 <u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
Canada	8.1	8.7	5.6	-0.6	2.5
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.1	15.8	11.0	-2.7	2.1
Prince Edward Island	7.5	11.5	6.4	-4.0	1.1
Nova Scotia	8.4	9.2	6.6	-0.8	1.8
New Brunswick	7.9	9.4	8.1	-1.5	-0.2
Quebec	7.7	8.5	6.3	-0.8	1.4
Ontario	9.4	9.8	6.5	-0.4	2.9
Manitoba	4.6	4.6	3.4	0.0	1.2
Saskatchewan	3.9	4.9	3.4	-1.0	0.5
Alberta	6.2	7.0	2.8	-0.8	3.4
British Columbia	7.6	7.8	4.1	-0.2	3.5

TABLE 5

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS
(3 Month Moving Average)

	<u>Apr-Jun</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Mar-May</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Apr-Jun</u> <u>2008</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Year</u>
CANADIAN CITIES					
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
St. John's	8.5	8.3	8.4	0.2	0.1
Halifax	6.3	6.3	5.6	0.0	0.7
Saint John	5.1	6.1	6.6	-1.0	-1.5
Quebec	4.4	4.6	4.7	-0.2	-0.3
Montreal	9.4	9.7	7.3	-0.3	2.1
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.3	6.2	5.4	0.1	0.9
Greater Sudbury	8.9	8.5	5.5	0.4	3.4
Toronto	9.8	9.3	6.8	0.5	3.0
Winnipeg	4.8	5.0	4.1	-0.2	0.7
Regina	3.5	3.9	4.0	-0.4	-0.5
Saskatoon	4.5	5.2	4.0	-0.7	0.5
Calgary	6.5	6.7	3.0	-0.2	3.5
Edmonton	6.7	6.3	3.7	0.4	3.0
Vancouver	7.2	7.0	4.3	0.2	2.9
Victoria	6.2	6.2	2.8	0.0	3.4
SASKATCHEWAN					
ECONOMIC REGIONS					
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Regina-Moose Mountain	157.9	156.0	154.6	1.9	3.3
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	55.1	54.3	54.2	0.8	0.9
Saskatoon-Biggar	173.0	169.4	168.4	3.6	4.6
Yorkton-Melville	39.9	39.3	38.5	0.6	1.4
Prince Albert & Northern	100.3	99.0	98.2	1.3	2.1

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

TABLE 6

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY
FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	Apr-Jun 2009	Mar-May 2009	Apr-Jun 2008	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
TOTAL POPULATION					
Labour Force ('000)	551.3	545.4	533.9	5.9	17.4
Employed ('000)	524.6	516.7	512.3	7.9	12.3
Unemployed ('000)	26.7	28.7	21.6	-2.0	5.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	5.3	4.0	-0.5	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	70.8	70.2	69.8	0.6	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	67.4	66.5	66.9	0.9	0.5
NON-aboriginal					
Labour Force ('000)	510.6	505.2	496.2	5.4	14.4
Employed ('000)	489.7	482.1	480.0	7.6	9.7
Unemployed ('000)	20.8	23.1	16.2	-2.3	4.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.6	3.3	-0.5	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	71.3	70.7	70.5	0.6	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	68.4	67.5	68.2	0.9	0.2
aboriginal					
Labour Force ('000)	40.7	40.2	37.7	0.5	3.0
Employed ('000)	34.8	34.5	32.3	0.3	2.5
Unemployed ('000)	5.9	5.7	5.4	0.2	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.4	14.1	14.4	0.3	0.0
Participation Rate (%)	65.1	64.4	61.8	0.7	3.3
Employment Rate (%)	55.7	55.4	52.9	0.3	2.8
NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN					
Labour Force ('000)	16.9	16.9	16.2	0.0	0.7
Employed ('000)	13.9	14.0	12.9	-0.1	1.0
Unemployed ('000)	2.9	2.8	3.3	0.1	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.5	16.8	20.2	0.7	-2.7
Participation Rate (%)	59.7	59.9	58.7	-0.2	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	49.3	49.8	46.9	-0.5	2.4
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Labour Force ('000)	23.8	23.2	21.3	0.6	2.5
Employed ('000)	20.9	20.4	19.2	0.5	1.7
Unemployed ('000)	2.9	2.8	2.2	0.1	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.3	12.2	10.1	0.1	2.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	68.1	64.3	1.4	5.2
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	59.8	57.8	1.1	3.1

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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